

## § 1203.1

### ORDER OF THE BOARD

- 1203.21 Final order of the Board.  
1203.22 Enforcement of order.

AUTHORITY: 5 U.S.C. 1204(a), 1204(f), and 1204(h).

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### GENERAL

#### § 1203.1 Scope; application of part 1201, subpart B.

(a) *General.* This part applies to the Board's review, under 5 U.S.C. 1204(a)(4) and 1204(f), of any rules or regulations ("regulations") issued by the Office of Personnel Management (OPM). It applies to the Board's review of the way in which an agency implements regulations, as well as to its review of the validity of the regulations on their face.

(b) *Application of 5 CFR part 1201, subparts B and C.* (1) Where appropriate, and unless the Board's regulations provide otherwise, the Board may apply the provisions of 5 CFR part 1201, subpart B to proceedings conducted under this part. It may do so on its own motion or on the motion of a party to these proceedings.

(2) The following provisions of 5 CFR part 1201, subparts B and C do not apply to proceedings conducted under this part:

(i) Sections 1201.21 through 1201.27 which concern petitions for appeal of agency actions, and the pleadings that are filed in connection with those petitions; and

(ii) Sections 1201.111 through 1201.119 which concern final decisions of presiding officials, and petitions for Board review of those decisions.

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#### § 1203.2 Definitions.

(a) *Invalid regulation* means a regulation that has been issued by OPM, and that, on its face, would require an employee to commit a prohibited personnel practice if any agency implemented the regulation.

(b) *Invalidly implemented regulation* means a regulation, issued by OPM, whose implementation by an agency has required an employee to commit a prohibited personnel practice. A valid

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regulation may be invalidly implemented.

(c) *Merit system principles* are the principles stated in 5 U.S.C. 2301(b)(1) through 2301(b)(9).

(d) *Pleadings* are written submissions containing claims, allegations, arguments, or evidence. They include briefs, motions, requests for regulation review, responses, replies, and attachments that are submitted in connection with proceedings under this part.

(e) *Prohibited personnel practices* are the impermissible actions described in 5 U.S.C. 2302(b)(1) through 2302(b)(11).

(f) *Regulation review* means the procedure under which the Board, under 5 U.S.C. 1204(f), reviews regulations issued by OPM on their face, or reviews those regulations as they have been implemented, or both, in order to determine whether the regulations require any employee to commit a prohibited personnel practice.

(g) *Request for regulation review* means a request that the Board review a regulation issued by OPM.

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### PROCEDURES FOR REVIEW

#### § 1203.11 Request for regulation review.

(a) An interested person or the Special Counsel may submit a request for regulation review.

(b) Contents of request. (1) Each request for regulation review must include the following information:

(i) The name, address, and signature of the requester's representative or, if the requester has no representative, of the requester;

(ii) A citation identifying the regulation being challenged;

(iii) A statement (along with any relevant documents) describing in detail the reasons why the regulation would require an employee to commit a prohibited personnel practice; or the reasons why the implementation of the regulation requires an employee to commit a prohibited personnel practice;

(iv) Specific identification of the prohibited personnel practice at issue; and

(v) A description of the action the requester would like the Board to take.